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1. CANADIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EXTENDS PREFERENCE ONLY
REPEAT ONLY TO VETERANS WITH OVERSEAS SERVICE DURING WORLD
WARS I AND II AND KOREAN CONFLICT.

2. WITHIN THOSE ELIGIBLE CATEGORIES PREFERENCE GIVEN IN
FOLLOWING ORDER:

-----FIRST PREFERENCE - THOSE ON DISABILITY PENSION
-----SECOND PREFERENCE - VETERANS AND WIDOWS OF VETERANS
-----THIRD PREFERENCE - CANADIAN CITIZENS
-----FOURTH PREFERENCE - CANADIAN CITIZENS (GENERALLY FROM
OTHER COMMONWEALTH COUNTRIES)

3. THUS, VETERAN WITH OVERSEAS SERVICE AS OUTLINED IN PARA
ONE, IN RECEIPT OF DISABILITY PENSION WOULD RECEIVE
PREFERENCE OVER VETERAN OR WIDOW OF VETERAN WHO NEVER
RECEIVED DISABILITY PENSION.

4. PREFERENCE ESTABLISHED AT TIME OF OPEN COMPETITION FOR
SPECIFIC FEDERAL SERVICE POSITION. ONCE APPLICANT ACCEPTED
ON ELIGIBLE LIST, THOSE WITH APPLICABLE VETERANS'
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PREFERENCE, IF ON EQUAL STANDING IN RANK ORDER, WOULD GO
TO TOP OF SPECIFIC RANK DESIGNATION. NON VETERAN WITH
HIGHER POINT SCORE WOULD REMAIN HIGHER ON RANK ORDER LIST.

5. OTHER VETERANS WITH SERVICE AT TIMES OTHER THAN THOSE
IN PARA ONE, INCLUDING THOSE WHO SERVED IN COMBAT SITUA-
TIONS WITH UNITED NATIONS FORCES (CONGO, CYPRUS, ETC)

RECEIVE NO REPEAT NO PREFERENCE FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT.
OCCASIONALLY, HOWEVER, WHEN POSITIONS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO OPEN
COMPETITION, BUT ARE FILLED FROM WITHIN FEDERAL SERVICE,
ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE EXTENDED TO ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY
PERSONNEL OR THOSE IN REHABILITATION PROGRAMS AS RESULT OF
MILITARY SERVICE RELATED DISABILITY.

6. ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY PERSONNEL COMPETING FOR FEDERAL
SERVICE EMPLOYMENT WHO DO NOT HAVE SERVICE REQUIRED FOR
PREFERENCE, BUT WHO STILL ARE CHOSEN ON BASIS OPEN COMPETI-
TION CAN BE GUARANTEED SAME SALARY AS RECEIVED IN MILITARY
(OR HIGHER) AT TIME OF APPOINTMENT TO FEDERAL SERVICE. NON
ACTIVE MILITARY PERSONNEL CANNOT BE GUARANTEED THIS MINIMUM
SALARY AT TIME OF APPOINTMENT TO FEDERAL SERVICE. ENDERS

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